BLADE SANGOKUSHI GAIDEN

INFORMATION

TAO (タオ) - The power of nature that dwells within all living beings. It is also present in air, water, etc. Only those with a strong willpower can wield the power of Tao and can even use it to perform miracles. Think of it as... Chakra.

BLADE (武霊士) - Guided by Tao, the warriors of the Three Kingdoms are once again brought to life in the present (year 2147). These Blades were handed to only those capable of controlling Tao. They can use it's power to do various things like fly, manipulate water, summon fire, command lightening, etc. They also possess amazing fighting strength and can't be defeated by ordinary people or weapons. Think of them as... Stands.

JIN (陣) - The battle space created by a Blade. Within this area they can call forth and materialize their ancient soldiers and weapons. The usual range of a Jin is around 3 meters. However, if the terrain is advantageous it can expand ten to a hundred times it's size. It can be used as an offensive force or a defensive shield. Anything the Jin manifests, like troops or weapons, can also be seen by ordinary people. Think of it as... okay, I got nothing. It's that round ball thingie that surrounds the characters whenever they whip out their Blades.

CHARACTER	BLADE
Jillian Chang	Xiahou Dun
Sleipnir	Yue Jin
Ash	Li Dian

THEY CHANGED THE SHAPE OF WAR

USING THE NATION'S GOVERNMENT AND CORPORATE FINANCES

Eisenhower speech in 1961

MILITARY INDUSTRIAL COMPLEXES ...

TURNING THE LAND INTO A GRAVEYARD FOR THOSE WILLING TO SELL THEIR LIVES FOR MONEY

TO THE GOVERNMENT HUMAN LIVES BECAME MERELY BOUGHT GOODS MEANT TO BE CONSUMED WITHIN THE FRONT LINES

WARS WEREN'T FOUGHT FOR IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES OR NATIONAL DEFENSE ANYMORE ONLY FOR MONEY

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'AN EMPTY BATTLE-FIELD'

AND ON THAT FIELD, I TOOK PART IN THE FIGHTING AS ONE OF THEIR EMPTY MER-CENARIES

THE FIRST CHAP-TER !!!

BLADE SANGOKUSHI SIDE STORY

短期集中連載「ブレイド三国志」武霊士たちの物語がここに!!

GC
「ブレイド三国志」
1〜8巻
絶賛出陣中!!

その女
THIS WOMAN
IS RUTHLESS.

魏の武霊士が出会う前の
もう一つのブレイド三国志
登場!

BEFORE MEETING THE OTHER BLADES OF WEI, THERE WAS ANOTHER BLADE RECORD OF THE THREE KINGDOMS!

凶暴につき。

壱河柳乃助
IKKAWA YANAGINOSUKE
supervised by
真壁太陽
MAKABE TAIYOU

ブレイド三国志外伝
BLADE SANGOKUSHI GAIDEN

EP:1『EXILE(放浪者)』

WE'VE JUST ARRIVED AT THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE DESIGNATED AREA. FROM HERE ON WE WILL BE MOVING IN ON THE TARGET FACILITY.
YOU FIND SOMETHING, JILLIAN?
YOU GUYS STAY PUT HERE.
I'LL MOVE IN ALONE.
I'LL RETURN ONCE I'VE COMPLETED THE MISSION. THEN WE CAN REPORT IN AND REMAIN ON STANDBY.
—JUST A MOMENT, FORMER CAPTAIN

WE ARE NOT YOUR SUBORDINATES.
IT SEEMS YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND BUT
YOU'RE IN NO POSITION TO BE GIVING US ORDERS
THIS TIME WE'VE BEEN GIVEN STRICT INSTRUCTIONS TO SEE TO IT THAT YOU CARRY OUT THIS MISSION SUCCESSFULLY AND EFFICIENTLY
DON'T FORGET THAT WE ALSO HAVE DIRECT ORDERS FROM YOUR CLIENT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE UNDER CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE.
OH YES, I REMEMBER THAT.
ALRIGHT THEN.
WE'LL DO IT YOUR WAY
AS IT IS, ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS TO YOU LOT IS OF NO CONCERN TO ME.
!

FIRE !!!
IT'S A VAN-GUARD !!!

UWAAAAA
UH...
HOW FRAGILE
STOP! YOU MONS-TER!
HIIE...
THIS IS NOT THE BATTLE-FIELD I TRULY SEEK...
IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE THEY GET BLOWN AWAY LIKE SCRAPS OF PAPER IN THE WIND
LIVES BOUGHT WITH MONEY ARE TRIVIAL RIGHT DOWN TO THEIR VERY SOULS

AWAKEN, MY BLADE
O WARRIORS OF OLD

I'D HEARD THERE WERE MERCENARIES OUT THERE WITH THE STRENGHT OF A WHOLE UNIT BUT IT'S
THAT POWER
IMPOSSIB-
BANG

JILLIAN HERE
WE MET WITH A VANGUARD
AND IT LOOKS LIKE I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO SURVIVED THE ATTACK.
TELL THE SOLDIERS OVER ON YOUR END
THAT TRULY BRAVE MEN GAVE THEIR LIVES HERE TODAY. OR...
ARE THEY SLEIPNIR?
ALLOW ME TO EXPLAIN ONCE MORE
...
ARE THEY EVEN IN A POSITION TO HEAR THAT FROM YOU?

A BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS FACILITY...?
CONTAMINATED AREA: THE TAKLAMAKAN DESERT
WE WANT YOU TO HEAD TOWARDS THE AREA AND CONFIRM THE EXISTENCE OF THE GIANT SPIDERS KNOWN AS "VANGUARDS"
WE HEAR THESE CREATURES WERE RELEASED INTO THE SURROUNDING VICINITY TO KEEP PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE FACILITY
THIS IS IN NO WAY SOMETHING UNUSUAL FOR THE DEFENSE INDUSTRY TO DO HOWEVER
LATELY WE'VE BEEN HEARING RUMOURS OF SOMETHING ABOUT A RESEARCH THAT
"USES MILITARY TECHNOLOGY INFLUENCED BY THE OCCULT AND HISTORICAL WARLORDS"
WE ONLY WANT YOU TO BRING THIS DATA TO US
I'M SURE YOU FIND THIS TO BE A SIMPLE JOB BUT
JUST IN CASE WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND SOME OF OUR MEN TO ACCOMPANY YOU
JUST AS WE SUSPECTED ...
YOU WERE PLANNING TO BETRAY US ALL ALONG, RIGHT?

!!! His flag says 'Gue' but I can't make out his name.

BANG
!!??
BANG
A SNIPER !!?
IT MUST BE ANOTHER BLADE! ONLY BLADES CAN DESTROY OTHER BLADES— IT CAME FROM THE RESEARCH FACILITY!?
THAT'LL KEEP YOU IN PLACE...
THIS IS SLEIPNIR.
I'M CURRENTLY ENGAGING A SNIPER.
THEY'RE USING SNIPER BULLET TAO TO SHOOT FROM A HIDING PLACE!

THE OTHER WOMAN IS ABOUT 5KM AWAY FROM HERE..
ALL BY HERSELF SHE'LL BE AN EASY SNACK FOR THOSE BEASTS.
ANYONE WHO TRIES TO GET INTO THIS PLACE WILL DIE!
ENEMY POSITION UNKNOWN
CAPTAIN!?
PLEASE RESPOND! JILLIAN
BZZZT
I HEARD YOU SLEIPNIR
I'VE ALREADY SEIZED THE ENEMY LOCATION

SQUELCH
BYAGAAAAAAH
THAT'S...!! SHE STABBED THROUGH THE VANGUARD'S HEAD WITH A KNIFE!?
WHAT THE...
SHE'S USING IT LIKE A JOYSTICK...
SHIT! SHE MANAGED TO CONTROL THAT BEAST AND HEAD ALL THE WAY HERE IN AN INSTANT!!
!!?
LEAVE HER TO ME.

IT'S TOO BAD REALLY. I WAS HAVING FUN THERE...
SINCE YOU'RE GOING TO BE BURIED IN THIS RUBBLE ANYWAY, I'LL BE TAKING MY KNIFE BACK NOW.
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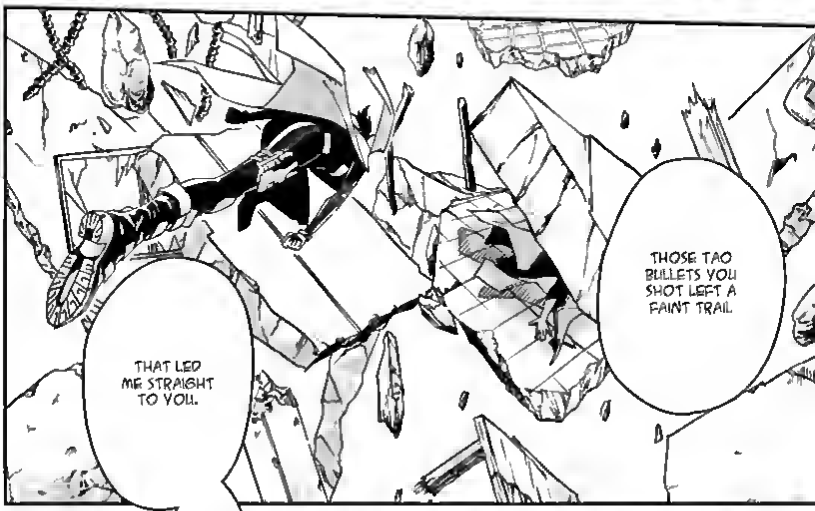


TN: Her Jin says 'Li Dian'

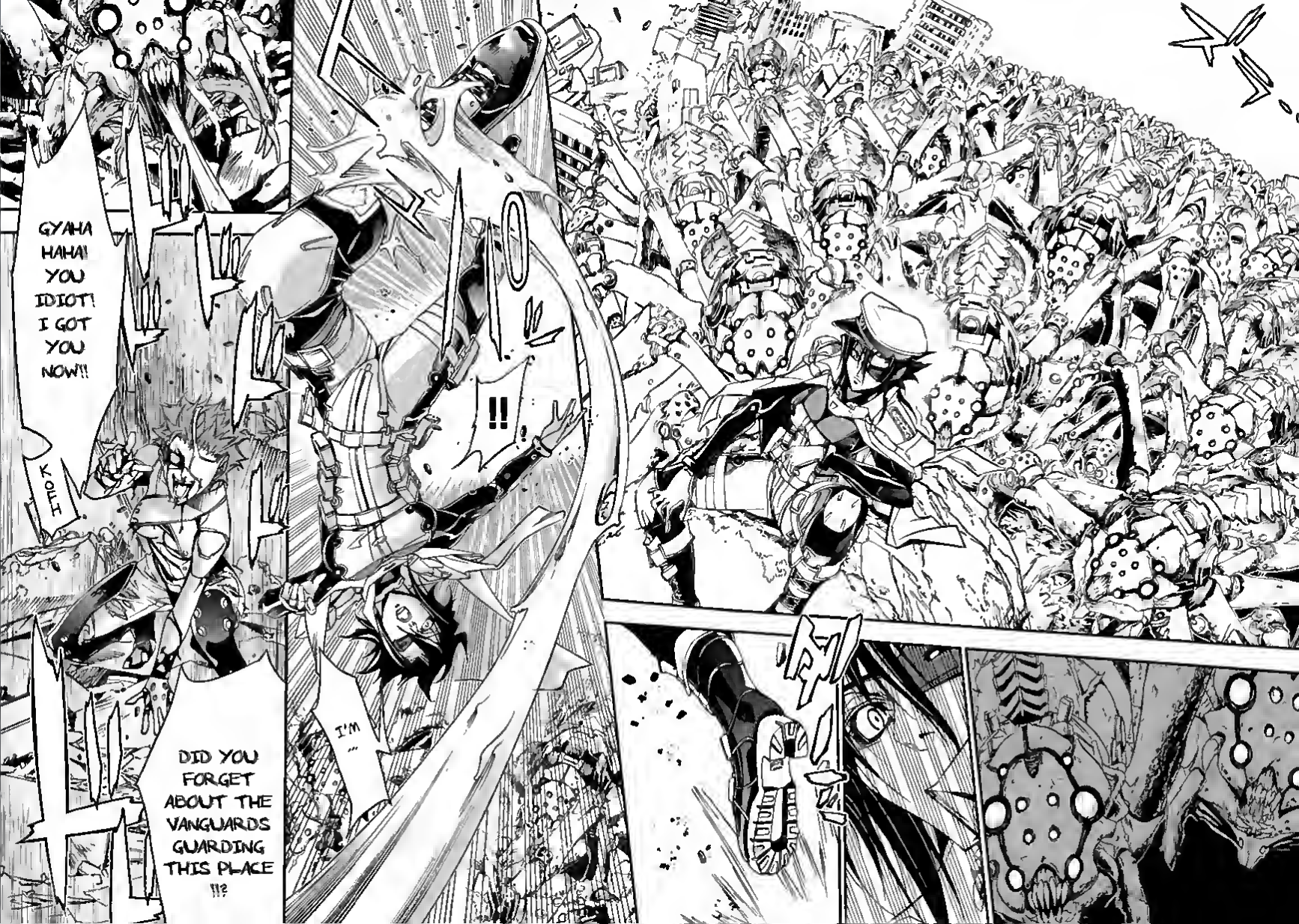
IS THAT THE POWER OF YOUR BLADE !?
SHOW ME THAT RESOLVE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR ON THE BATTLE-FIELD !!!
SHOW IT TO ME!

SPEED UP
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
ANYONE WHO GETS CLOSE ...!!
KILL
KILL

KILL
!!
HITTE
WHAT IS IT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?

YOU DIDN'T THINK FIGHTING ANOTHER BLADE WOULD BE EASY, DID YOU?
kahaa
PUNCH
strok
twitch
aa.. gahh
WHAT A FRAGILE JIN YOU HAVE...
PULL

thud...
JUST AS MY SOURCES SAID.
THERE REALLY DOES SEEM TO BE AN ACTIVE RESEARCH FACILITY HERE.
HAA
GEHAH
HUEE...
BUT I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT RIGHT NOW
HAA
ZEEH
GHAA
GRIN...
!
CAP-TAIN !!
VOU.. WHAT IS IT YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR IN THIS BARREN WASTELAND?


GYAHA HAHA! YOU IDIOT! I GOT YOU NOW!!
KOTH
DID YOU FORGET ABOUT THE VANGUARDS GUARDING THIS PLACE !!?
I'M ...
!!

PEOPLE, SOLDIERS, WEAPONS! THEY EAT UP ANYTHING I WANT THEM TO!!
EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM!
THESE BEASTS ARE MIND-CONTROLLED! THEY'LL DO WHATEVER I TELL THEM TO!
KUHEHE HEHEHEH! THAT HURT... HEHEHEH...
I'M GONNA GET REVENGE! YOUR DEATH WILL BE SLOW AND PAINFUL! GUHEHEH!
... KUH
How dare you...
.....
UUH... HAA... HAAAH...

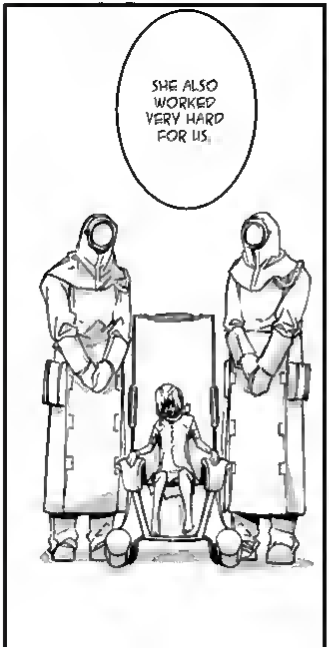
HAN... HAAH... KILL YOU...
ANYONE WHO GETS CLOSE ...
ANYONE WHO HURTS US OR... GET CLOSE...
HAA... HAAA...
...? WHAT...? WE?
THEY HURT US... NO, I...
ANYONE WHO COMES CLOSE TO THIS...
YOU'RE EMPTY.
I DON'T SENSE ANY WILLPOWER IN YOU.
YOU'RE A PUPPET, JUST LIKE THESE BIOWEAPONS YOU CONTROL
TO YOUR SUPERIORS YOU'RE NO THING BUT A DISPOSABLE PAWN.

BEFORE RECEIVING MY POWERS EVEN I EXPERIENCED THE TERRORS OF WAR...
IN THIS WORLD ALL LIVING CREATURES ARE RULED BY FEAR
YOU ARRO-GANT..
HURRY UP AND TEAR HER APAR...
they can't move...
...!?
THE ABSOLUTE POWER IT HOLDS OVER US.
NO AMOUNT OF BRAIN-WASHING CAN MATCH
THOSE WITH NO WILLPOWER EASILY FALL VICTIM TO THEIR OWN FEARS
AND NOW THESE POOR CREATURES ARE FEELING THE VERY SAME DREAD THAT I DID
UU KH...
OVERCOME YOUR OWN FEARS?
HAAA
HAA
I WONDER, WILL YOU EVER BE ABLE TO
AUU...

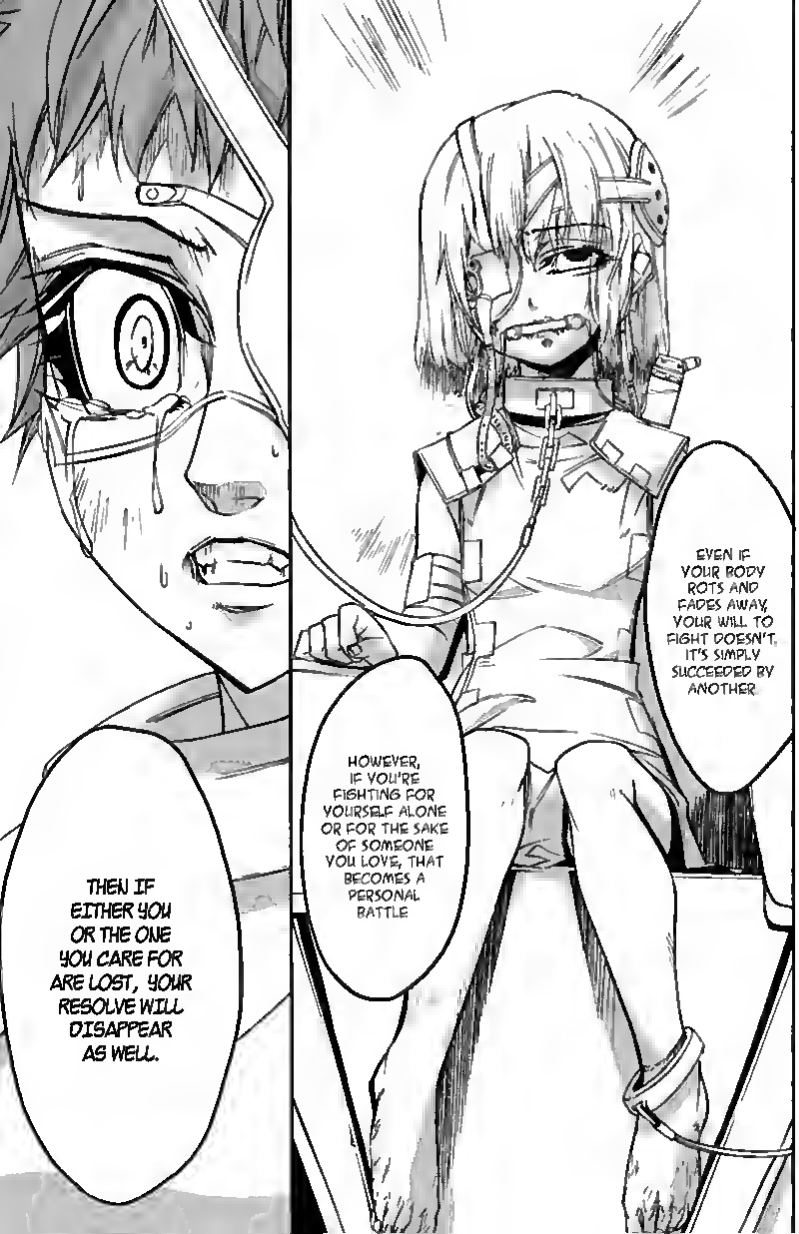
SOME-THING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT
SHOULDN'T THEY BE HOSPITALIZED RIGHT AWAY...?
SO MANY PEOPLE DIED
YOU'RE SAYING THE ORPHANAGE WAS ATTAC-KED BY AN UNKNOWN GROUP
AND THEY WERE THE ONLY SURVIVORS?
DON'T WORRY WE'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU
THERE'S AN INCREDIBLE POWER HIDING WITHIN YOU TWO
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? GET AWAY FROM ME
IT'S COLD... IT HURTS
STOP...
STOP

THE EXPERIMENT WAS A SUCCESS SOON WE SHALL HAVE THE POWER OF THE ANCIENTS WITHIN OUR GRASP

HUMANKIND HAS ONCE AGAIN TAKEN A GIANT LEAP FORWARD
THAT'S WONDERFUL! THIS IS ALL THANKS TO YOUR HARD WORK, ASH


SHE ALSO WORKED VERY HARD FOR US.

WHERE'S MY FRIEND?
WHAT ABOUT ROSE?
DON'T WORRY, SHE'S RIGHT OVER THERE.
AH, YES. I PROMISED YOU'D GET TO SEE HER, DIDN'T I?


EVEN IF YOUR BODY ROTS AND FADES AWAY, YOUR WILL TO FIGHT DOESN'T. IT'S SIMPLY SUCCEEDED BY ANOTHER.
HOWEVER, IF YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR YOURSELF ALONE OR FOR THE SAKE OF SOMEONE YOU LOVE, THAT BECOMES A PERSONAL BATTLE.
THEN IF EITHER YOU OR THE ONE YOU CARE FOR ARE LOST, YOUR RESOLVE WILL DISAPPEAR AS WELL.

BUT IF THAT'S THE BATTLE YOU'RE FIGHTING, THEN STAKE YOUR LIFE ON STRIKING DOWN THE ENEMY!
USE THAT BLADE AND SHOW ME HOW YOU BLAZE THROUGH YOUR FOES UNTIL THEY'RE NOTHING BUT ASHES !!!

AAAAAAH
UWAA
ヒュー
ヒュー
ヒュー

HHH
GHA
AAAAAA
AAH
ドス
ドス
ドス

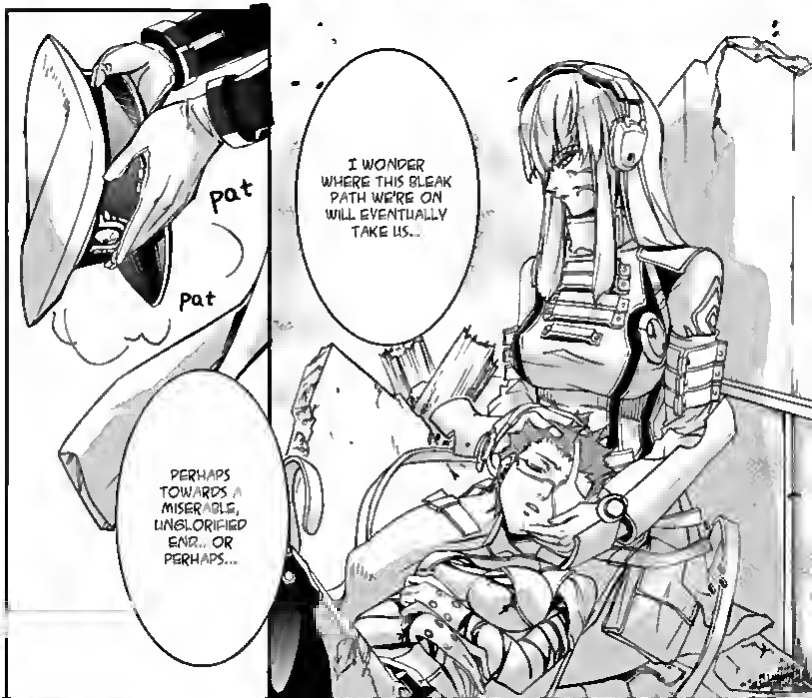
THIS AREA'S SECURED NOW, RIGHT?
HOW ARE YOUR WOUNDS, CAPTAIN?
OH, NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT. I OWE YOU ONE, SLEIPNIR...

BUT KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON THE GIRL...
THEN LET'S REST FOR A WHILE.

SHE MUST KNOW WHERE THE ENTRANCE TO THIS FACILITY IS...

CAP-TAIN
THAT WORE ME OUT..
HOLDING BACK IS TOUGH
I'M REALLY NOT GOOD AT DEALING WITH THOSE TYPES BEATING THEM UP WOULD JUST BE SO MUCH EASIER.
POWER LIMIT DANGE-ROUS.
A BLADE.
OPPONENT ABNORMAL.
ABNORMAL
THAT'S CERTAINLY THE RIGHT WORD TO USE TO DESCRIBE US.
WE AREN'T LIKE OTHER PEOPLE. EVER SINCE THIS POWER AWAKENED WITHIN US
WE'VE LOST OUR TRUE BATTLE-GROUND
ALL THIS UNNATURAL POWER DOES IS CAUSE CHAOS AND CONFUSION FOR ENEMIES AND ALLIES ALIKE
THAT UNIFORM AND HAT HOLDS NO MEANING FOR US ANYMORE.

THESE ABILITIES HAVE PUSHED US OUT OF THE ORDINARY WORLD...
WE ARE OUTCASTS
AT THE MERCY OF THOSE WHO WOULDN'T RAT AN EYELID OVER DESTROYING INNOCENT LIVES
OUR HEARTS AND BODIES DEVOURED BY THE GREED OF OTHERS,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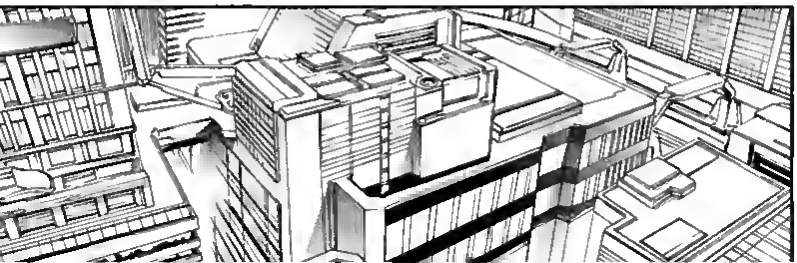
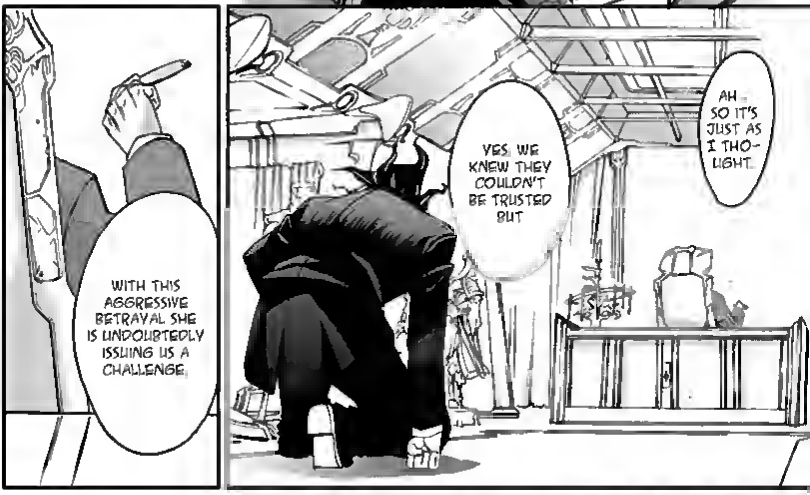
I WONDER WHERE THIS BLEAK PATH WE'RE ON WILL EVENTUALLY TAKE US...
PERHAPS TOWARDS A MISERABLE, UNGLORIFIED END... OR PERHAPS...

TO SOMEONE WHO CAN BRING LIFE TO MY EMPTY SOUL.
IT WILL LEAD US TOWARDS A 'MASTER' WE CAN DEVOTE OUR LIVES TO.
JUST LIKE IN THE MEMORIES OF OUR PAST SELVES.

UNDER-STOOD
REST WHILE YOU CAN WE'LL BE HEADING OUT AS SOON AS THAT GIRL WAKES UP



WE'VE LOST ALL CONTACT WITH THEM A WHILE AGO.
ABOUT THE GROUP WE SENT TO ACCOMPANY THOSE MERCENARIES...


WITH THIS AGGRESSIVE BETRAYAL SHE IS UNDOUBTEDLY ISSUING US A CHALLENGE.
YES. WE KNEW THEY COULDN'T BE TRUSTED BUT
AH... SO IT'S JUST AS I THOUGHT.

YESSIR!
WE'LL MAKE HER REGRET EVER THINKING OF OPPOSING US.
SEND THEM STRAIGHT TO THEIR LAST KNOWN LOCATION.
THEN DISPATCH THE TROOPS!

OVER THERE IS THE VANGUARD'S NEST
YOU HAVE TO GO UNDERNEATH IT TO ENTER THE LAB
...GOT IT.
SO AFTER YOU'RE DONE WITH ME YOU'RE GONNA KILL ME, RIGHT?
HEY, I'M JUST A MERCENARY I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU WANT ME TO.
FOR THE RIGHT PRICE THAT IS
IF YOU'VE GOT NO WORK FOR ME THEN STOP BOTHERING ME AND GET LOST.
..!!
THEN LET ME GO WITH YOU!! PLEASE!
THERE'S SOMEONE I HAVE TO RESCUE IN THERE...
...DO WHAT YOU WANT.

WE'RE ENTERING SECTION 8 NOW
WATCH OUT FOR ANY ENEMY RESISTANCE.
THE ONE-EYED WITCH, JILLIAN, THIS IS A STORY SET BEFORE SHE FOUND HER 'RESOLVE'
CONTINUATION IN APRIL

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